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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 290
By McAfee

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Judge H. Ted Milburn on the occasion of his retirement from the bench.

WHEREAS, it was with considerable regret that the members of the Tennessee General Assembly and the citizens of our state learned of the retirement of Judge H. Ted Milburn; and

WHEREAS, Judge Milburn was born on May 26, 1931, in Cleveland, Tennessee and grew up in Chattanooga, graduating from City High School in 1949; and

WHEREAS, he attended the University of Chattanooga and Boston University before graduating from East Tennessee State University in 1953 with a bachelor of science degree; and

WHEREAS, Judge Milburn served his country admirably with the United States Army Security Agency from 1953-1956; and

WHEREAS, in 1959, he graduated from the University of Tennessee College of Law; and

WHEREAS, in July, 1959, Judge Milburn joined the highly regarded Chattanooga Law firm of Folts, Bishop, and Thomas. He became a partner in that firm on February 1, 1963, and the name of the firm was changed to Bishop, Thomas, Leitner, Mann and Milburn on February 1, 1964; and

WHEREAS, Governor Winfield Dunn appointed him to the bench as Circuit Court Judge for the Sixth Judicial Circuit of Tennessee, Third Division, on July 1, 1973; he was subsequently

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reelected to this important office without opposition for eight-year terms in August, 1974 and in August, 1982; and

WHEREAS, by special designation of the Tennessee Supreme Court, Judge Milburn served as a Special Judge on the Eastern and Western Sections of the Tennessee Court of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, he graduated from the National Judicial College of the University of Nevada at Reno in 1975; and thereafter served as a faculty advisor and member of the faculty; and

WHEREAS, in August, 1982, Judge Milburn served as a member of the faculty of the newly formed Tennessee Judicial Academy at Vanderbilt University; and

WHEREAS, while he was a state judge, he served as the Presiding Judge of the State Trial Judges in Hamilton County and as Secretary of the Tennessee Trial Judges Association; and

WHEREAS, President Reagan appointed Judge Milburn as United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee on June 7, 1983; and

WHEREAS, he subsequently served with distinction as Chief Justice of the Eastern District of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, he has served honorably in the important office of Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit since October 9, 1984; and

WHEREAS, Judge Milburn has been the recipient of numerous honors. In 1987, he received an award from the Chattanooga Board of Realtors honoring his significant contributions to the preservation of property rights in commemoration of the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution. In 1988, Judge Milburn received the prestigious East Tennessee State University Outstanding Alumnus Award. In 1991, he was appointed to a three-year term on the Administrative Office Committee of the United States Judicial Conference, and served as Chairman of such Committee from 1994 until he took Senior Status on July 1, 1996; and

WHEREAS, he is married to the former Elaine Dillow of Jonesboro, who is a pillar of

strength for him and their two children, Blair Douglas, who is an electrical engineer computer architect with Intel in Portland, Oregon and Elizabeth Elaine, who is a social worker in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, the Milburns evince their deep faith in God as communicants of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church; and.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to specially recognize and commend Judge Milburn on his exemplary judicial service; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and commend Judge H. Ted Milburn, reflecting fondly upon his indelible legacy of estimable public service and his tireless commitment to perpetuating the public good, and wish him well in his retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.